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Advisory Announcement

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SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT

District 2

The following area will continue to be open to purse seining through 8:00 p.m., Wednesday, July 1, 2020:

District 2: will be open north of the latitude of 54°47.08′ N lat (approximately 0.5 nautical miles (nmi) south of McLean Point Light), south of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Polk Island at 55°00.73′ N lat, and west of a line from approximately 2.0 nmi east of the northernmost tip of Polk Island at 55°00.73′ N lat, 131°55.32′ W long to approximately 2.2 nmi east and 0.5 nmi south of McLean Point Light at 54°47.08′ N lat, 131°53.96′ W long with the following restriction:

Moira Sound: all waters will be closed.

District 9

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Thursday, July 2, 2020:

Southeast Cove terminal harvest area (THA): will be open.

District 12

Point Augusta: will be closed.

Hidden Falls THA: will be closed.

The following areas will be open to purse seining beginning Sunday, July 5, 2020:

District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 5, 2020:

Section 1-F: will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Cone Point at 55°14.45′ N lat, 131°18.90′ W long to the northernmost tip of Harbor Point at 55°13.04′ N lat, 131°25.17′ W long to Point Davison Light at 54°59.64′ N lat, 131°36.84′ W long, then due west to the District 2 boundary with the following restriction:

<u>Boca de Quadra</u>: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point at $55^{\circ}05.15'$ N lat, $130^{\circ}59.10'$ W long to Kah Shakes Point at $55^{\circ}04.26'$ N lat, $130^{\circ}58.80'$ W long.

District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 5, 2020:

District 2: will be open south of the latitude of the northernmost tip of Polk Island at 55°00.73′ N lat with the following restriction:

Moira Sound: all waters will be closed.

District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 5, 2020:

Section 7-A: will be open south of the latitude of Point Warde at 56°10.43′ N lat.

District 9

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 5, 2020:

Southeast Cove Terminal Harvest Area (THA): will be open.

District 12

The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 5, 2020:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following area:

Point Augusta: will be open within 0.5 nmi of the Chichagof Island shoreline east of a line from a marker at 58°02.44′ N lat, 134°57.50′ W long to a point at 58°03.00′ N lat, 134°57.85′ W long, south of 58°03.00′ N lat, and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 58°01.63′ N lat (located 1.0 nmi south of Point Augusta Light).

Please be aware that Friday, July 3, is the observed 4th of July holiday and the Alaska Department of Fish and Game offices will be closed.

Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions: All Chinook salmon harvested in the Carroll Inlet, Neets Bay, Anita Bay, and Hidden Falls THAs may be retained and sold. All Chinook salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA must be retained and may be sold. For all other fishing areas (including the Kendrick Bay THA), Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length may NOT be retained and Chinook salmon less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. These restrictions will be in effect until at least July 25, 2020.

Fishermen and processors are reminded that all salmon, including steelhead, commercially harvested but retained for personal use and not sold, must be reported on fish tickets at the time of delivery.

Fishermen, tenders, and processors are reminded that harvest from the Kendrick Bay THA should be kept and reported on a separate fish ticket from harvest outside of the Kendrick Bay THA. The statistical area for the Kendrick Bay THA is 102-15 and includes the waters of McLean Arm and Kendrick Bay. The statistical areas for portions of District 2 open outside of the Kendrick Bay THA are 102-10 (Kendrick Bay south) and 102-20 (Kendrick Bay north).

The Southeast Cove and Thomas Bay THAs are new common property fisheries. For descriptions of the THAs, expected returns, and fishing schedules, refer to the Southeast Cove and Thomas Bay THAs Advisory Announcement released on April 15, 2020.

The 2020 forecasted run of summer chum salmon to the Hidden Falls THA is 364,000 fish. NSRAA needs 200,000 chum salmon for broodstock leaving 164,000 fish available for common property harvest. Future seine openings will be dependent

on inseason run strength and will be restricted to within approximately 1.0 nmi of the Baranof Island shoreline to conserve weak Chinook and pink salmon runs destined for systems further inland.

The next seine announcement will be issued on Tuesday, July 7, 2020.

Under Alaska's Health Mandates 10, 17, and 18, commercial fishing is an Essential Business and is part of Alaska's Essential Services and Critical Infrastructure. Commercial fishermen should ensure that all travel and other activities in support of commercial fishing operations follow protocols in Alaska COVID-19 Health Mandates. COVID-19 Health Mandates may be found here: https://gov.alaska.gov/home/covid19-healthmandates/

The Emergency Order corresponding with this announcement is EO 1S2220.

Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates Statistical Week 27

Preliminary Estimates Compiled June 30, 2020

NUMBERS OF SALMON

Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	Boats
District 2*	0	200	550	4,000	11,000	15,750	34
Total	0	200	550	4,000	11,000	15,750	34

<u>-</u>	FISH PER BOAT						
Area	Chinook	Sockeye	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 2*	0	6	16	118	324	463	

Neets Bay THA harvest to date: 1,400 Chinook salmon and 1,400 chum salmon.

Carroll Inlet THA harvest to date: 700 Chinook salmon. Kendrick Bay THA harvest to date: 4,500 chum salmon.

Anita Bay THA harvest to date: 1,100 Chinook salmon and 300 chum salmon.

Hidden Falls THA harvest to date: 9,000 chum salmon.

Deep Inlet THA harvest to date: 1,100 Chinook salmon and 18,500 chum salmon.

Thomas Bay and Southeast Cove THAs: Confidential.

Point Augusta Index Area harvest is confidential. Both pink and chum salmon harvests are well below the 10-yr average.

Advisory Announcement web site: http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cfnews.main.

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^{*} District 2: harvest is for 2 days.